Judge:

Christopher M. Alston

Chapter:

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

In Re:

No. 18-13383-CMA

JACK CARLTON CRAMER, Jr.

AMENDED <u>EX PARTE</u> APPLICATION FOR ORDER AUTHORIZING EMPLOYMENT OF ATTORNEYS FOR TRUSTEE

Debtor(s).

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Edmund Wood, the duly appointed Chapter 7 Trustee in the above-captioned bankruptcy

case, applies to this Court for authority to employ Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm, WSBA

17601, whose offices are located at 600 Stewart Street #1908, Seattle WA 98101, as Attorney for

Trustee and in support thereof states as follows:

1. On August 29, 2018, the debtor(s) filed a Chapter 13 bankruptcy petition in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Washington at Seattle.

2. On December 17, 2018 an order was entered converting this bankruptcy to Chapter 7 and on December 17, 2018, Edmund Wood was appointed trustee of the estate.

3. The assets of the estate include real property located at 15605 63rd Ave NE, Kenmore, Wa 98028. The trustee is pursuing a sale of this property and needs counsel to obtain court approval of the sale. The trustee desires to hire Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm to obtain approval on behalf of the estate on an hourly basis and to perform other duties of general counsel as required, subject to Court approval after notice and a hearing.

- 4. Rory Livesey has previously worked with Edmund J. Wood, Trustee, in other bankruptcy cases and it is anticipated that this will continue.
- 5. The trustee is aware of no connections between Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm and the debtor, creditors, any party in interest, their respective attorneys and accountants, the United

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303 N. 67th Street Seattle WA 98103 (206) 623-4382 States Trustee, or any person employed in the office of the United States Trustee other than as set forth above. No notice to creditors or interested parties of this motion is necessary pursuant to 11 U.S.C.§102(1) and FRBP 2002.

- The Trustee is not aware of any interest adverse to the estate held by Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm and believes them to be disinterested pursuant to 11 USC §101(14).
- No retainer has been paid or promised to Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm and all compensation is subject to a Court order after notice to creditors and a hearing.
- The hourly billing rate for Rory Livesey (attorney) is \$385 per hour and the rate for Patricia Johnson (legal assistant) is \$155 per hour.

WHEREFORE, the trustee applies to the Court for an order authorizing the employment of Rory Livesey and the Livesey Law Firm as Attorneys for the Trustee to perform legal services described in this application as of the date this application and order are submitted to the office of the United States Trustee, with all compensation subject to Court order upon notice to creditors and a hearing.

January 31, 2019 DATED:

> /s/Edmund Wood Edmund Wood, WSBA #03695 Chapter 7 Trustee

I CERTIFY under penalty of perjury that on January 24, 2019, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be delivered to the U.S. Trustee by email at USTPRegion18.SE.ECF@usdoj.gov, and the U.S. Trustee's Office has no objection or seven days

> /s/ Dominique Moses Dominique Moses, Paralegal

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